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ORIGINAL STORY
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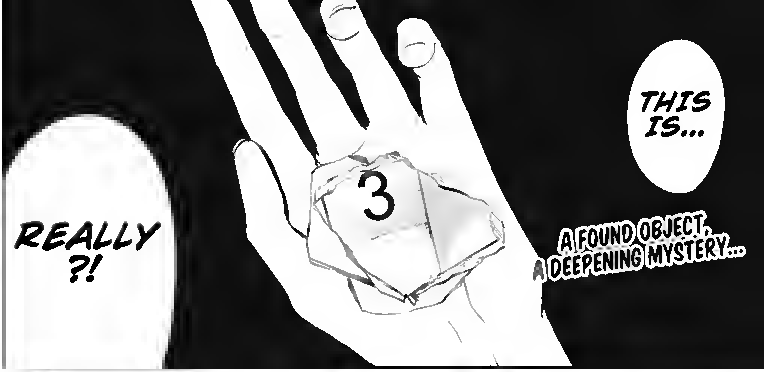

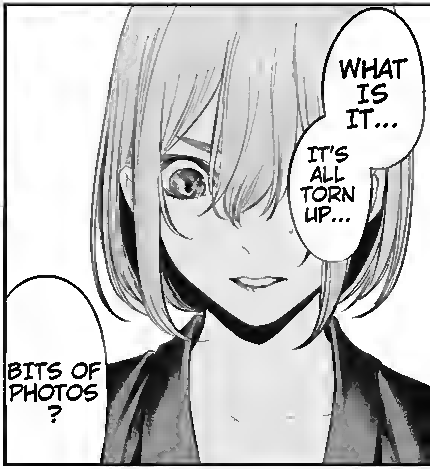

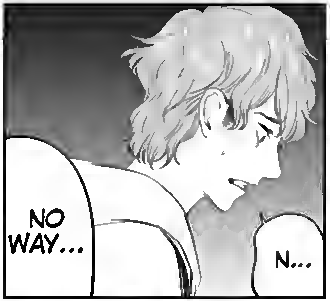

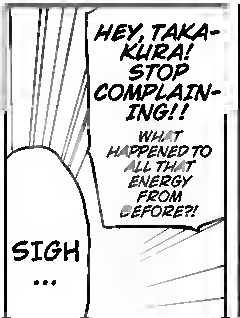

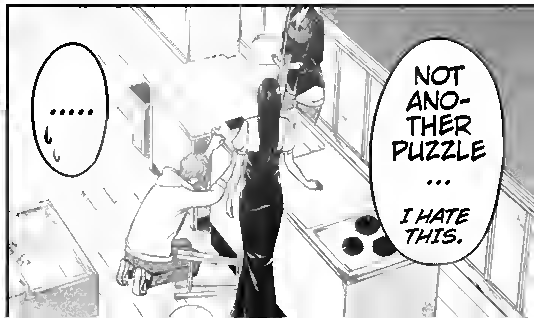

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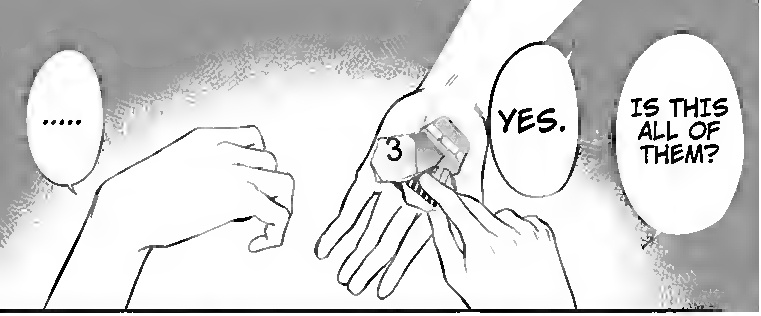
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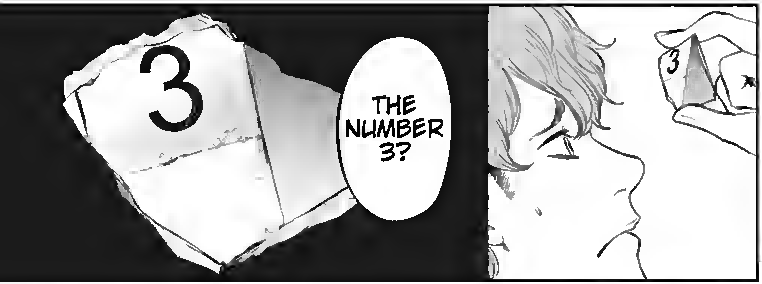
YES.
IS THIS ALL OF THEM?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THE NUMBER 3?
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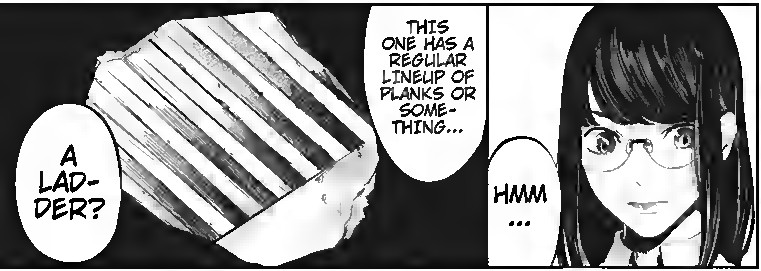
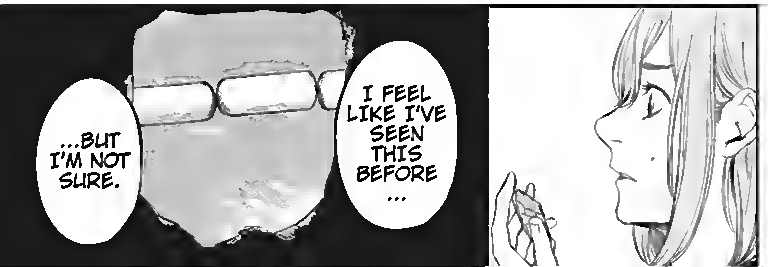
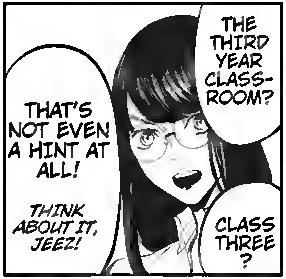

A LAD-DER?
THIS ONE HAS A REGULAR LINEUP OF PLANKS OR SOME-THING...
HMM ...


...BUT I'M NOT SURE.
I FEEL LIKE I'VE SEEN THIS BEFORE ...

I GOT IT! THERE MUST BE SOMETHING HIDDEN IN THE THIRD ONE OF SOMETHING OR OTHER!

WHAT IN THE WORLD...
...IS THIS TRYING TO TELL US...?
HMMM...


THE THIRD YEAR CLASSROOM?
CLASS THREE?
THAT'S NOT EVEN A HINT AT ALL!
THINK ABOUT IT, JEEZ!

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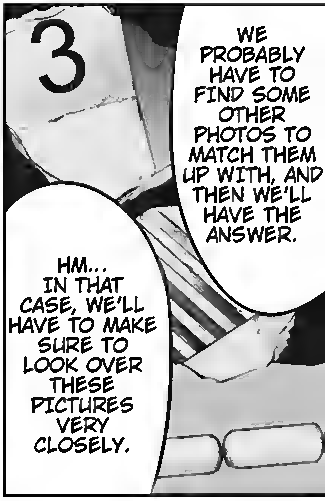
I MEAN, I GUESS, BUT STILL...
JUST DOIN' THAT'S NOT GONNA HELP MUCH...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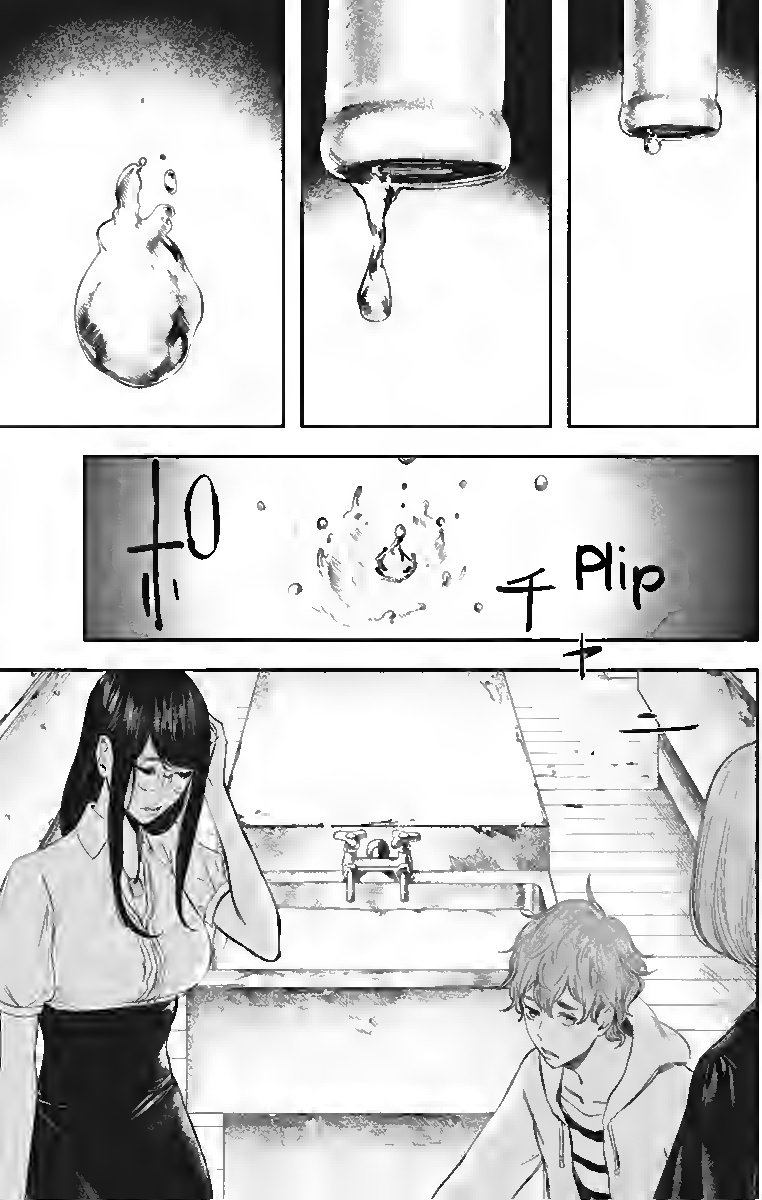
WE PROBABLY HAVE TO FIND SOME OTHER PHOTOS TO MATCH THEM UP WITH, AND THEN WE'LL HAVE THE ANSWER.
HM... IN THAT CASE, WE'LL HAVE TO MAKE SURE TO LOOK OVER THESE PICTURES VERY CLOSELY.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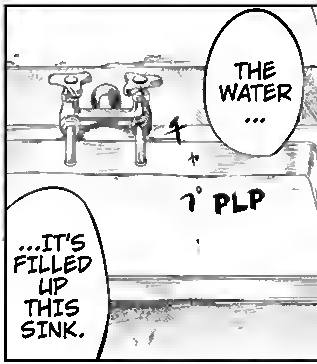
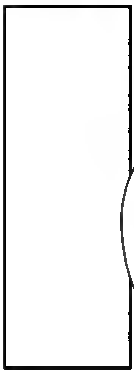
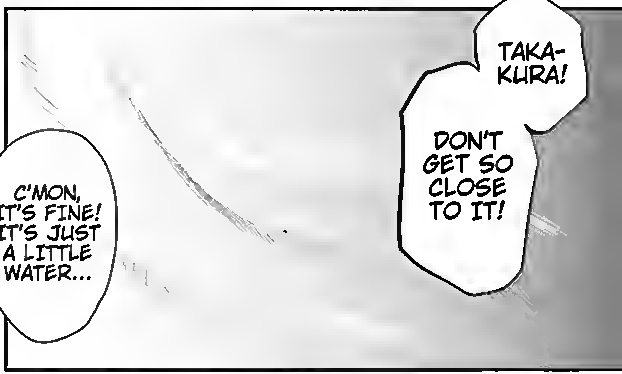
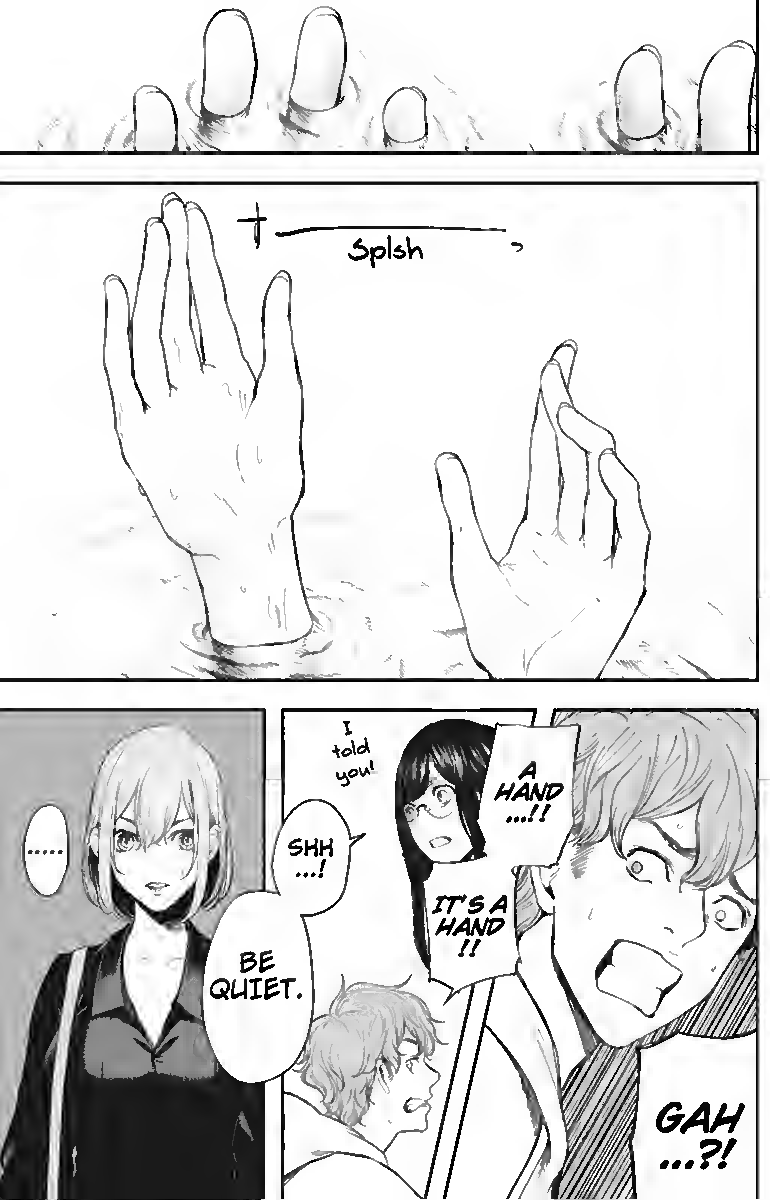
HEY, STOP!
HAS THIS BEEN HERE SINCE WE GOT HERE?

HM?


THE WATER ...
...IT'S FILLED UP THIS SINK.




TAKA-KURA!
DON'T GET SO CLOSE TO IT!
C'MON, IT'S FINE! IT'S JUST A LITTLE WATER...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GAH ...?!
A HAND ...!!
I told you!
IT'S A HAND !!
SHH ...!
BE QUIET.
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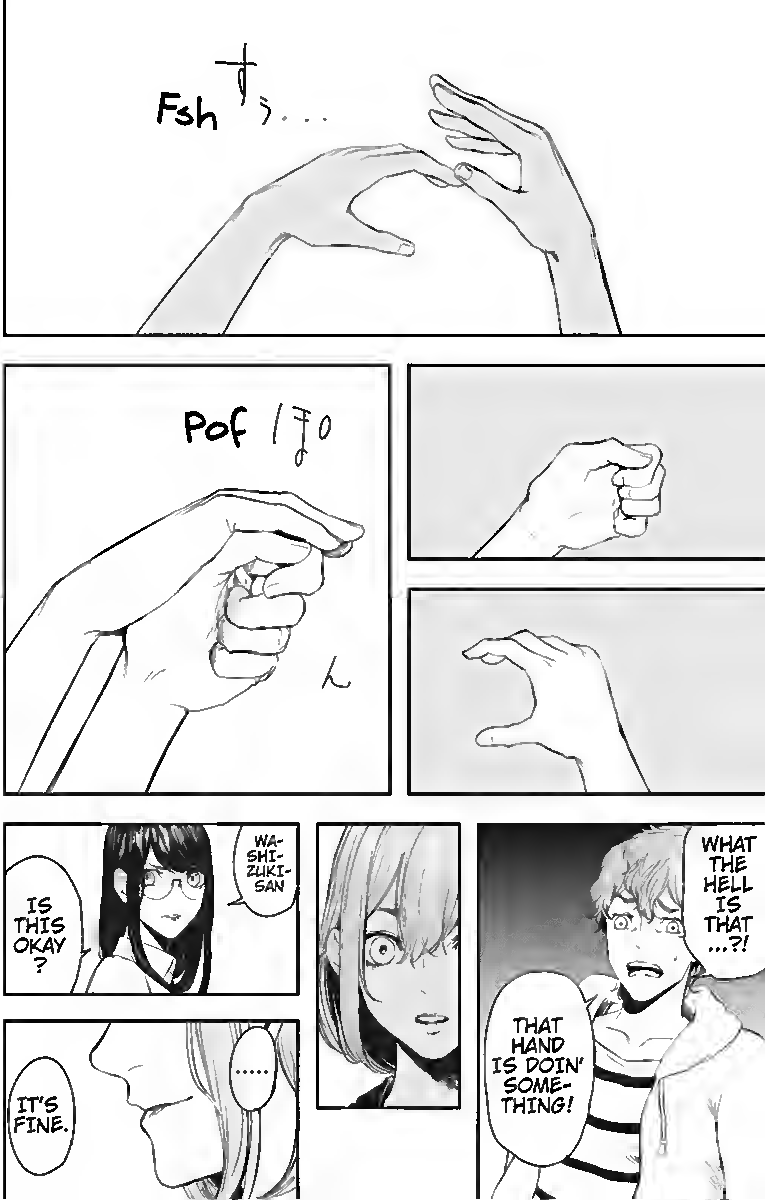
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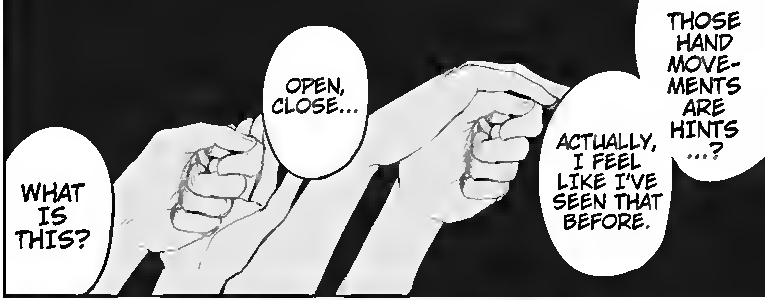
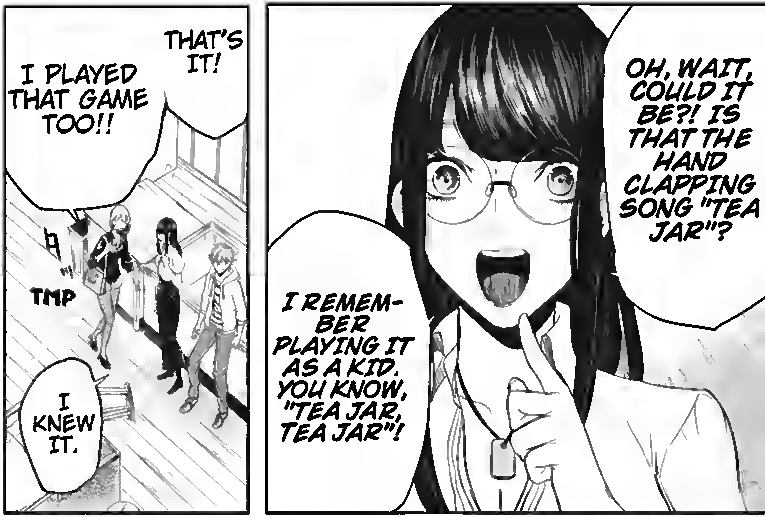
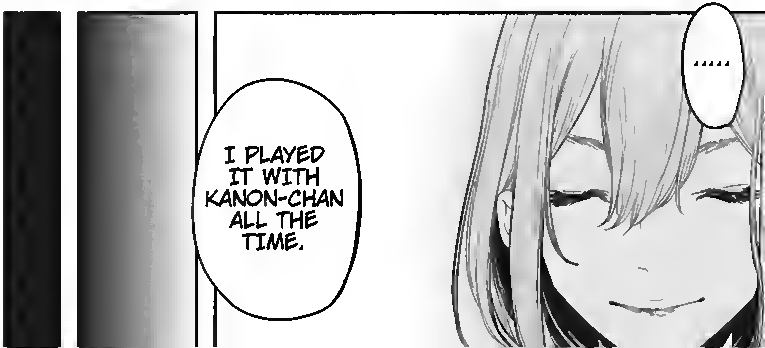
WASHIZUKI-SAN
IS THIS OKAY?
.....
IT'S FINE.
WHAT THE HELL IS THAT...?!
THAT HAND IS DOIN' SOMETHING!

THOSE AREN'T THE HANDS OF AN ENEMY.
THAT'S KANON-CHAN.
KANON-CHAN IS TRYING TO TELL US SOME-THING.
She's pretty confi-dent
.....
WH-WHAT'S SHE SAYIN'?
UM ...
I THINK IT'S A HINT TO THE PUZZLE.


WHAT IS THIS?
OPEN, CLOSE...
ACTUALLY, I FEEL LIKE I'VE SEEN THAT BEFORE.
THOSE HAND MOVE-MENTS ARE HINTS ...?


OH, WAIT, COULD IT BE?! IS THAT THE HAND CLAPPING SONG "TEA JAR"?
I REMEM-BER PLAYING IT AS A KID. YOU KNOW, "TEA JAR, TEA JAR"!
THAT'S IT!
I PLAYED THAT GAME TOO!!
TMP
I KNEW IT.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I PLAYED IT WITH KANON-CHAN ALL THE TIME.

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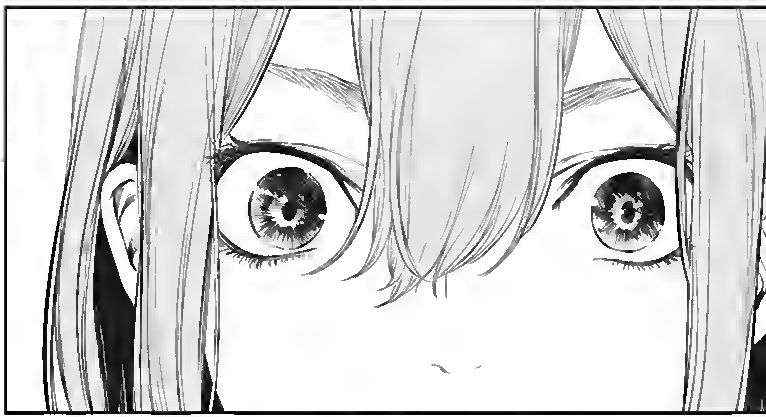
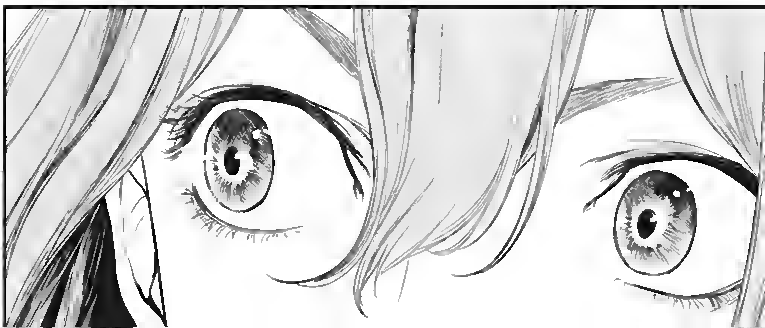
HERE GOES!
OKAY, SARA-CHAN, IT'S YOUR TURN NOW.
OKAY!
TEA, JAR~!
TEA, JAR!
TEA, TEA,
JAR!
-EAAA
TE-
HEE.
THERE'S NO LID~
SO LETS TAKE THE BOTTOM AND MAKE IT A LID!

BY THE WAY, KANON-CHAN, I JUST REALIZED SOME-THING...
HM?
OH! WE DID IT~
YAY! WE DID IT!!
.....
WHAT ABOUT THE STUFF INSIDE ?
IF YOU TOOK THE BOTTOM OF THE JAR AND MADE IT A LID...
...WOULDN'T ALL THE STUFF INSIDE FALL OUT?
HA HA HA !!
WH-? WHY ARE YOU LAUGH-ING?!
AH HA HA HA !!

HEY!
HEE HEE HEE!!
.....
THOSE WERE THE DAYS...
AH-
THE HANDS ...
.....
KANON-CHAN ...?!
... STOPPED MOVING.





ばけうまおきた
The Bakeuma awakens

THOSE WORDS ON THE BLACK-BOARD...
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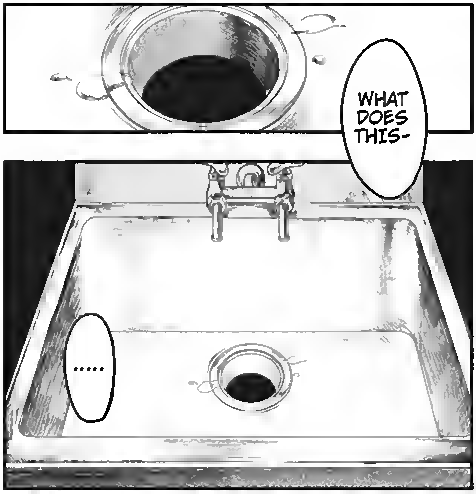
WHAT DOES THIS-
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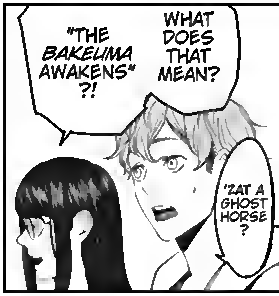
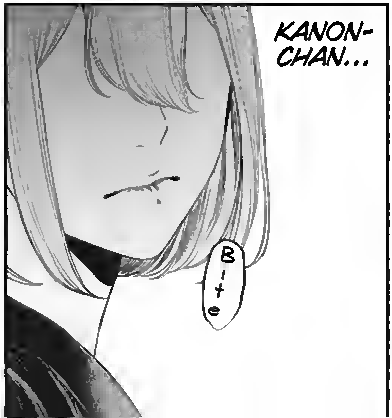

"THE BAKEUMA AWAKENS" ?!
WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?
'ZAT A GHOST HORSE ?

KANON-CHAN!


KANON-CHAN...
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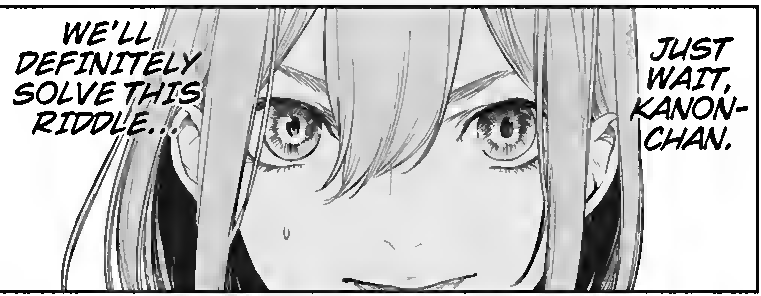
UMA'S HORSE AND BAKE MEANS GHOST!!
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT ?!

.....
WE HAVE TO THINK.
LET'S PUT THEM TOGE-THER.
THE WORDS ON THE BLACK-BOARD...
...ND THE SONG "TE- JAR." LET'S SEE WHAT WE COME UP WITH.
THEN LET'S SOLVE THIS RIDDLE !!
.....
YEAH.
UGH.
I GUESS WE GOTTA!
slap


JUST WAIT, KANON-CHAN.
WE'LL DEFINITELY SOLVE THIS RIDDLE...

DAMN! THEY'RE STILL COMING ...!!
BUT THEY'RE PRETTY SLOW! IF WE KEEP IT UP, WE CAN LOSE THEM!!
PANT
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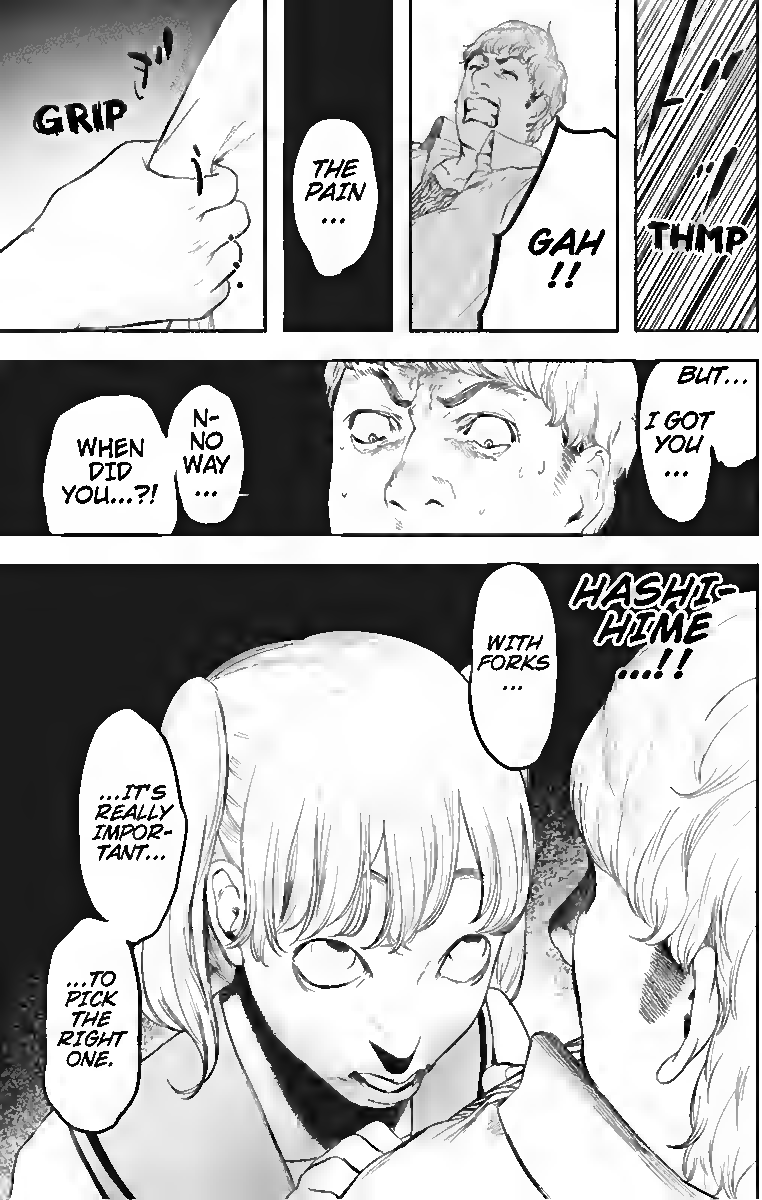
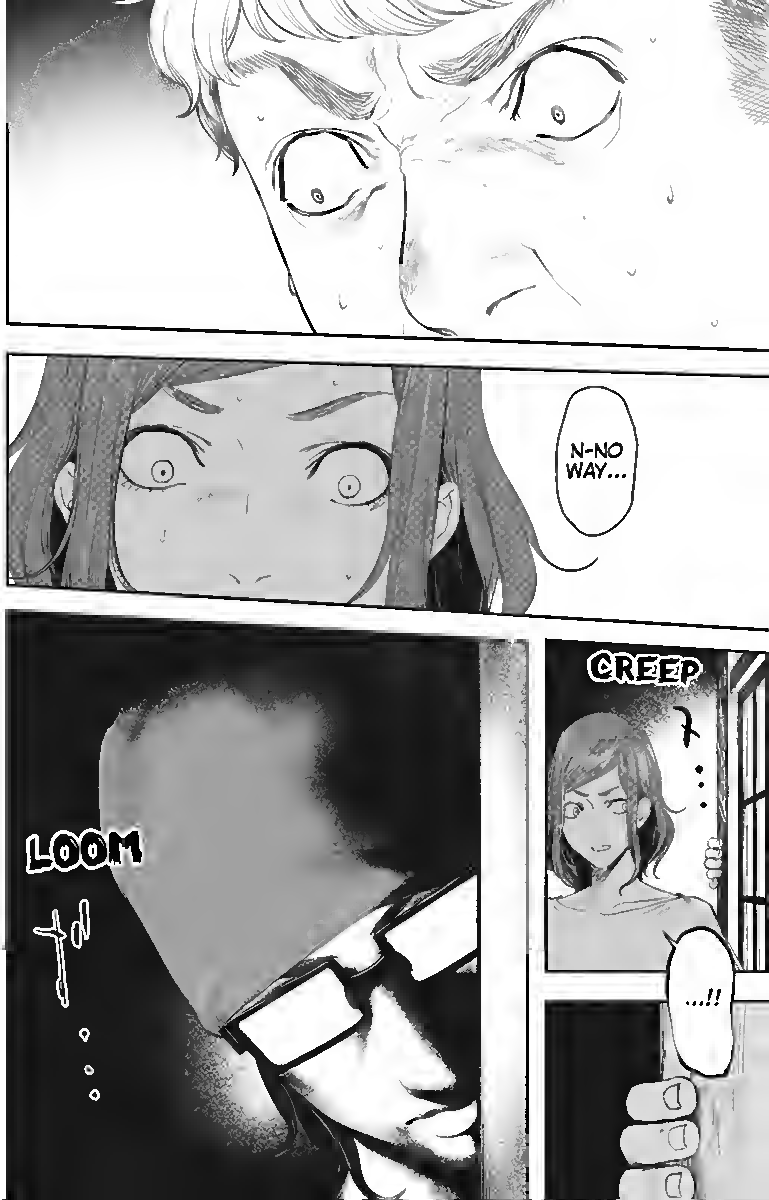
WHA ?!
UH...
IT'S A FORK IN THE ROAD!
WHICH WAY?!
OKAY, LEFT!
LEFT IT IS!!


GRIP
THE PAIN ...
GAH !!
THMP
BUT... I GOT YOU ...
N-NO WAY ...
WHEN DID YOU...?!
HASHI-HIME ...!!
WITH FORKS ...
...IT'S REALLY IMPOR-TANT...
...TO PICK THE RIGHT ONE.


N-NO WAY...
CREEP
?...
...!!
LOOM

HEE HEE HEE ...
I'M...
...NEVER LETTING YOU GO.
TO BE CONTINUED...